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- 8. (Amended) The method according to claim 7, wherein the noise profile for each of the other stages is the noise profile for stage 0 scaled by a scaling factor.
- 9. (Amended) The method according to [clean] <u>claim</u> 8, wherein the scaling factor is derived from the end portion of each of the other stages, respectively.
- 10. (Amended) The method according to claim 5, further including applying a threshold to selected stages, the threshold being derived from the noise profile.
- 11. (Amended) The method according to claim [of] 10, wherein the threshold is scaled by a threshold factor before being applied to the selected stages.
- 12. (Amended) The method according to claim 7, wherein the threshold factor is selected so that higher stages of data are filtered less than lower stages.
- 13. (Amended) The method according to claim 5, further including generating a sparse data set indicative of the denoised data.
- 14. (Amended) The method according to claim 5, further including shifting the denoised data to account for variations due to a starting value for the wavelet transformation.
- 15. (Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein correcting the baseline further includes generating a moving average of the denoised data set.
- 16. (Amended) The method according to claim 15, wherein the moving average is used to find peak sections in the denoised data set.
- 17. (Amended) The method according to claim 16, wherein the peak sections are removed from the denoised data set.
- 18. (Amended) The method according to claim 17, further including generating a baseline correction.

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- 19. (Amended) The method according to claim 1, further including compressing the intermediate data set, the intermediate data set having a plurality of data values associated with respective addresses.
- 20. (Amended) The method according to claim 19, wherein a compressed data value is a real number that includes a whole portion representing the difference between two addresses.
- 21. (Amended) The method according to claim 19, wherein a compressed data value is a real number that includes a decimal portion representing the difference between a maximum value of all the data values and a value at a particular address.
- 22. (Amended) The method according to claim 1, further including performing a mass shift based on the position of the putative peaks.
- 23. (Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein generating the residual baseline includes deleting an area around each peak in the intermediate data.
- 24. (Amended) The method according to claim 23, wherein the area deleted is derived from a determined width of a peak.
- 25. (Amended) The method according to claim 23, wherein the residual baseline is derived from data remaining in the intermediate data after the peaks have been removed.
- 26. (Amended) The method according to claim 23, wherein generating the residual[.] baseline includes fitting a quartic polynomial to the data remaining in the intermediate data after the peaks have been removed.
- 27. (Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the probable peak is located by fitting a Gaussian curve to a peak area in the corrected data set.
- 28. (Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the identifying step includes using a generated noise profile to calculate the signal-to-noise ratio for the probable peak.

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- 29. (Amended) The method according to claim 28, wherein a residual peak error is calculated by comparing the probable peak to a Gaussian curve.
- 30. (Amended) The method according to claim 29, wherein the residual peak error is used to adjust the signal-to-noise ratio to generate an adjusted signal-to-noise ratio.
- 31. (Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the identifying step includes deriving a peak probability for the probable peak.
- 32. (Amended) The method according to claim 31, wherein the peak probability is derived using the signal-to-noise ratio.
- 33. (Amended) The method according to claim 31, wherein the peak probability is derived by using an allelic [ration]ratio, the allelic ratio being a comparison of two peak heights indicated in the corrected data.
- 34. (Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the identifying step includes calculating a peak probability that a probable peak in the corrected data is a peak indicating composition of the biological sample.
- 35. (Amended) The method according to claim 34, wherein peak probability is calculated for each of a plurality of probable peaks in the corrected data.
- 36. (Amended) The method according to claim 35, wherein a highest probability is compared to a second-highest probability to generate a calling ratio.
- 37. (Amended) The method according to claim 36, wherein the calling ratio is used to determine if the composition of the biological sample will be called.
- 39. (Amended) The system according to claim 38, wherein the computer is integral to the instrument.
- 40. (Amended) A machine readable program operating on a computing device, the computing device being configured to receive a data set indicating composition of a biological sample, the program [implement]implementing the steps of:

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denoising the data set to generate denoised data; deleting the baseline from the denoised data to generate an

intermediate data set;

defining putative peaks for the biological sample;
using the putative peaks to generate a residual baseline;
removing the residual baseline from the intermediate data set to
generate a corrected data set;

locating, responsive to removing the residual baseline, a probable peak in the corrected data set; and

identifying, using the located probable peak, the biological sample.